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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CG, RW

SUBJECT: BORDER ATTACK ON ZAIRE: RWANDAN REACTION

REF: STATE 056060

1. RECEIPT OF REFTEL DELAYED BY YET ANOTHER CIRCUIT OUTAGE.
2. AUTHORATIVE REACTION TO EVENTS IN SHABA ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO OBTAIN RIGHT NOW, WITH PRES. HABYARIMANA AND FONMIN CURRENTLY ON OFFICIAL VISIT TO WEST GERMANY.
3. OTHER MEMBERS OF GOR WITH WHOM WE SPOKE AT AIRPORT SUNDAY MORNING, AS WE SAW OFF PRESIDENT AND ENTOURAGE, SEEMED MORE CURIOUS THAN ANXIOUS ABOUT EVENTS IN ZAIRE. LIKE MYSELF, THEY PESTERED ZAIREAN AMBASSADOR FOR LATEST INFO BUT FOUND HIM GENERALLY AS IGNORANT AS THE REST OF US. MORE RECENTLY SENIOR MINDEF OFFICIAL TOLD ME THIS MORNING GOR WAS STILL

IN DARK AS TO WHAT WAS GOING ON IN SHABA, THOUGH (PREDICTABLY) WORRIED THAT SOVIETS MIGHT BE INVOLVED.

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4. AS MIGHT HAVE BEEN EXPECTED, HABYARIMANA ISSUED STATEMENT EN ROUTE TO BONN DEPLORING MERCENARY INTERVENTION OF ALL SORTS IN AFRICA AND EXPRESSING SOLIDARITY WITH MOBUTU. LOCAL NEWS BULLETIN CARRYING DAILY WIRE SERVICE REPORTS, INCLUDING THOSE OF U.S. AIRLIFT OF SUPPLIES AND SECRETARY'S VANCE'S JUSTIFICATION BEFORE CONGRESS. BUT OTHERWISE, SITUATION IN ZAIRE NOT RPT NOT ATTRACTING EXTRAORDINARY NOTICE HERE.

5. ANY INSIDE INFO WE PICK UP ON GOR REACTION WILL FOLLOW
SEPTTEL.
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